**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**
**RAILWAYS**
**LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Trains at seven times` the speed of sound appearing in the 'The Hindu' dated 10 June , 2002;

(b) if so, whether the Railways have also taken cognizance of such developments being taken place in the changing face of passengers rail travel in the world;

(c) whether any research work has been done by railway engineers in this field; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA )

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d): Indian Railways are aware of various developments taking place in the field of Railway Technology, including that of high speed trains, in the world. However, no research work has so far been initiated by Indian Railway engineers in the field of trains with speed in excess of speed of sound.